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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Task Force Training Plans Committee

SUBJECT: Status Report

1. Since the initial and only meeting of this Committee the following developments of general interest have occurred:

a. The Support components have completed their drafting of respective, tentative, doctrinal concepts for supporting a contingency task force operation;

7 b. The operational concept and course content for the next exercise were drafted and submitted for approval in principle. Until receipt of reply further substantive planning will be held in abeyance;

c. Replies from the science consultant proposal were sharply divided. While it was assumed that scientific knowledge available within the Agency would be applied to the preparation and conduct of the exercise, this assumption was not made by some members and others objected to bringing in outside consultants. This subject will be deferred for the present.

d. The DD/S and DD/P both felt that the May 1961 date was too early considering current commitments and preferred waiting until the Fall, 1961. The training plan, however, should be developed and in readiness for a suitable date.

2. It would be appreciated if Committee Members would inform all concerned of the above postponement of this next task force training exercise. Planning, however, will resume upon receipt of guidance from within the DD/P.

 Chairman

Task Force Training Plans Committee

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